

HOUSE No. 188**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

Ellen Story*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act to Assure Continuity of Health Coverage for Children.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Christine E. Canavan	10th Plymouth
Peter v. Kocot	1st Hampshire
Ellen Story	3rd Hampshire
David B. Sullivan	6th Bristol
Denise Provost	27th Middlesex
Tom Sannicandro	7th Middlesex
Martha M. Walz	8th Suffolk
Bill Bowles	2nd Bristol
John W. Scibak	2nd Hampshire
Jennifer L. Flanagan	Worcester and Middlesex
Mary E. Grant	6th Essex
James J. O'Day	14th Worcester District
Alice K. Wolf	25th Middlesex
Stephen Kulik	1st Franklin
Elizabeth A. Malia	11th Suffolk
Steven J. D'Amico	4th Bristol
Jonathan Hecht	29th Middlesex
Kay Khan	11th Middlesex
Barbara A. L'Italien	18th Essex

Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.	26th Middlesex
Kenneth J. Donnelly	Fourth Middlesex
Benjamin B. Downing	Berkshire, Hampshire and Franklin
James B. Eldridge	Middlesex and Worcester
Richard T. Moore	Worcester and Norfolk
Robert A. O'Leary	Cape and Islands
Karen E. Spilka	Second Middlesex and Norfolk
Anne M. Gobi	5th Worcester
Jay R. Kaufman	15th Middlesex
William Lantigua	16th Essex
Pam Richardson	6th Middlesex

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT TO ASSURE CONTINUITY OF HEALTH COVERAGE FOR CHILDREN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 9A of chapter 118E of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting in the following subsections under subsection (2):-

(j) Children who are deemed eligible for medical benefits pursuant to clause (a) of subsection 2 shall continue to be eligible for assistance for a period of 12 months, until the child's annual eligibility review, if the child would otherwise be determined ineligible due to excess countable income but otherwise remains eligible.

(k) Children who are deemed eligible for medical benefits pursuant to clause (b) of subsection 2 shall continue to be eligible for assistance for a period of 12 months, until the child's annual eligibility review, if the child would otherwise be determined ineligible due to excess countable income but otherwise remains eligible.

(l) Children who are deemed eligible for medical benefits pursuant to clause (c) of subsection 2 shall continue to be eligible for assistance for a period of 12 months, until the child's annual eligibility review, if the child would otherwise be determined ineligible due to excess countable income but otherwise remains eligible.